

CASE: TX/4-33176A US-PCT

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

IN RE APPLICATION OF

Art Unit: 1615

FORSTNER ET AL.

APPLICATION NO: 10/552,836

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MS:Amendment

Commissioner for Patents

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AMENDMENT

This paper is filed in response to the Office Action of April 27, 2008. This response is being filed with a Petition for a Three-Month Extension of Time. The Commissioner is authorized to charge Deposit Account No. 50-4409 in the name of Novartis for any additional fees due.

Please enter the amendments to the claims as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of the claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 5 of this paper.